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1. Source learned from railroadmen that Camp Lieberose was vacated on 18 and 19 June 1953. Troop movements by road toward Fuerstenwalde via Beeskow were observed. On and after 19 June, the camp was no longer lighted after dusk. <sup>1</sup>
2. At 10 a.m. on 3 July, an eastbound troop train of 4 boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars with 12 trucks, 8 light AA guns and 4 medium AA guns passed through the Brandenburg railroad station. On 9 July, a column of about 20 trucks occupied by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets and 2 AT guns drove through Tangermuethe toward Scheeren. <sup>2</sup> 25X1C 25X1C
3. On 4 July, four railroad cars with military goods passed through the Brandenburg railroad station. The shipment came from Buschhof and went to Genthin, 25X1C 25X1C
4. On 8 July, a troop train of 10 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars and 31 side-rack flatcars, and another troop train of 8 converted boxcars and 21 side-rack flatcars were loaded at Fuerstenwalde with soldiers, AA guns, motor vehicles and billeting equipment from the Fliegerhorst Kaserne. The trains were dispatched to Jueterbog - Altes Lager. <sup>4</sup>
5. On 11 July, a troop train with about 250 soldiers, 12 x 76.2-mm AA guns, 6 trucks, and billeting equipment was observed at the Zossen railroad station. On the same day, trucks, 25X1C occupied by about 300 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport, signal, tank and artillery insignia, entered Camp Zossen. <sup>5</sup>
6. At 9:25 a.m. on 12 July, a troop train of about 10 boxcars with soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and an undetermined number of flatcars passed through Oranienburg toward Loevenberg. Source counted 10 tanks or AT guns. <sup>6</sup>
7. At 7 p.m. on 12 July, a troop train of about 15 cars with 2 half-track vehicles, 2 artillery pieces of about 75 mm, 2 mortars of about 100 mm, and 3 trucks, 25X1C passed through the Kremmen railroad station toward Nauen. <sup>7</sup> 25X1C

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25X1C 8. On 12 July, tanks [redacted] 12 x 122-mm field guns,  
 25X1C and trucks [redacted] were unloaded at the  
 Neuruppin railroad station. 6 25X1C

25X1C 9. At 2 p.m. on 12 July, a troop train carrying 22 T-34 tanks, [redacted]  
 [redacted] 1 armored scout car, 1 truck with a field kitchen; and 1  
 radio truck was observed at the Neuruppin railroad station. The train left toward  
 Altruppin. At 12:30 p.m. on 13 July, T-34 tanks [redacted] were  
 seen at the Neuruppin railroad station. 6 25X1C

25X1X [redacted] 10. At 1 p.m. on 13 July, 13 tanks of the T-34 and JS type were unloaded at the Doebe-  
 ritz railroad station. Track imprints led to the Adler and Loewen Kaserne. Several  
 sentries were observed at Altes Lager. There were no track imprints leading to this  
 installation. On 13 and 14 July, a rather large number of individual trucks with  
 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets came from the direction of Seeburg  
 and entered the barracks installations at Doeberitz. Source learned from an in-  
 formant that, on 12 July, tanks were unloaded at Wustermark. 8 Source learned  
 from another informant that tanks were unloaded at Altruppin on the evening of  
 13 July. Truck columns coming from the direction of Herzberg entered the barracks  
 installations in Neuruppin on 12 July. 6 On 14 July, 3 rocket launchers of Unit  
 Chesnakov (fnu) returned to the Fliegerhorst Kaserne in Schoenwalde from Hohen-  
 schoepping, and 2 rocket launchers from the steel plant in Hennigsdorf. Source  
 learned from an informant from Rathenow that large units still were at Altengrabow  
 troop training grounds. [redacted] 9 25X1

11. On 15 July, source learned from a doctor from Goerlitz that there were allegedly  
 riots in the Polish-occupied area near Goerlitz. Artillery fire had been heard  
 there on and after 13 July. Increased Soviet troop movements were allegedly ob-  
 served in this area. 10

12. On 16 July, a troop train of 22 boxcars and about 10 gondola cars with about 6 x  
 120-mm mortars, about 8 AT guns, and 20 trucks was loaded at the Fuerstenwalde  
 railroad station. At about 10 a.m., the train went toward Berlin via Erkner. 11

13. At 6:30 p.m. on 16 July, 10 x 122-mm field howitzers, 10 trucks, 12 trucks with  
 billeting equipment, 3 van-like trucks, 8 tank trucks and 2 field kitchens were  
 loaded at the Wildpark freight station. [redacted] 12 25X1C

14. At 11 a.m. on 18 July, a troop train of about 20 boxcars with soldiers and women  
 soldiers, and an undetermined number of flatcars with 12 field guns of about  
 150 mm, 2 x 76.2-mm field guns, 4 radio trucks and about 15 prime movers was  
 loaded at the Wildpark railroad station. [redacted] 12 25X1C

25X1C 15. On 16 July, the Fliegerhorst Kaserne in Quedlinburg - Quarmbeck was occupied by  
 25X1C about 1,000 troops. There was much activity. A group of seven EM was practicing  
 with a 76.2-mm AT gun. Truck [redacted] with a driving school was seen. [redacted] 25X1C

25X1A 1. [redacted] Comment. As troops of the 7th Gds Mecz Div arrived at Frankfurt/Oder and  
 Fuerstenwalde at the same time, the information is given credence.

25X1A 2. [redacted] Comment. The troop train on 3 July 1953 possibly carried AAA units of the  
 2nd Gds AAA Div which returned from Wustrow to their home stations. On 5 July 1953,  
 a similar troop train probably coming from Wustrow was unloaded at Kummersdorf.  
 25X1A See [redacted]. The column driving toward the Bittkau troop training  
 grounds probably belonged to the 18th Mecz Div.

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- 25X1A 3. [ ] Comment. [ ] probably belongs to a signal unit of the GOFG which has been previously observed in various places of East Germany, including Genthin.
- 25X1A 4. [ ] Comment. Probably light AA units of the 63rd AAA Div (US) were entrained which, according to official records, moved to Justerbog on two troop trains  
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- 25X1A 5. [ ] Comment. The troop train probably carried components of the 2nd Gds AAA Div which, according to official records, moved from Wuensdorf to Neubukow with  
25X1 [ ] The vehicles at Camp Zossen belonged to the GOFG.
- 25X1A 6. [ ] Comment. The troop trains carried components of the 12th Gds Tank Div. Official records indicated that the division was shipped from the Berlin area to Neuruppin and Altruppin on seven trains on 11, 12 and 13 July 1953. The troop train redispached to Altruppin had [ ] Unloadings at Neuruppin in conjunction with the above movements were also observed. See  
25X1A [ ] 25X1
- 25X1A 7. [ ] Comment. Probably a troop train with a combined artillery unit of the 9th Gds Tank Div which, according to official records, went from Neustrelitz to Altengrabow [ ] on 12 July 1953.
- 25X1A 8. [ ] Comment. The unloading of tank units of the 1st Mecz Div at Dosberitz on 12 and 13 July 1953 has been repeatedly reported. See [ ] These shipments from East Berlin also included three troop trains which went to Wustermark on 12 July 1953. 25X1A
- 25X1A 9. [ ] Comment. Elements of the 90th RL Regt (US) or the Second Gds Mecz Army from Schoenwalde probably were employed at Hennigsdorf and Hohenschoepping, north of Hennigsdorf, during the riots on East Germany. According to another source, the bulk of the 6th Arty Div from Rathenow was still believed to be stationed at Altengrabow in early July 1953. See [ ] 25X1A
- 25X1A 10. [ ] Comment. Similar observations were made by two other sources prior to 10 July 1953. See [ ] 25X1A
- 25X1A 11. [ ] Comment. Probably components of the 7th Gds Mecz Div were entrained at Fuerstenwalde. Compare with reports by other sources on the unloading of contingents of the division at the railroad stations of Schoenwalde and Adlershof in Berlin on 16 and 17 July 1953. See [ ] 25X1A
- 25X1A 12. [ ] Comment. Probably entraining of elements of the 30th Gds Gun Arty Brig which, according to official records, moved to Altengrabow on four troop trains on 18 July 1953. As every year about this time, the brigade of the 34th Arty Div (US), which had remained at its home station, rotated with another brigade of the division at Altengrabow. Troop trains with the brigade from Altengrabow probably went to Wildpark on 16 July 1953. Thus, it is believed that source in paragraph 13 actually observed the unloading of troops.
- 25X1A 13. [ ] Comment. As in early July 1953, large elements of the 597th Mtz Rifle Regt of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div were also stationed at the Fliegerhorst Kaserne in Quedlinburg - Quarmbeck in mid-July. See [ ] 25X1A

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